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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 11, 2006, and the Advisory Action of November 29, 2006, which set a three-month shortened statutory period to expire on November 13, 2006 (November 11, 2006 being a Saturday), and for which a Request for Extension of Time for two months is being filed concurrently herewith, setting the period for response to expire January 11, 2007, Applicants submit the amendments and remarks as follows for entry in the above-identified patent application and request reconsideration of the rejections and allowance of the application, in due course: However, if any extension of time is necessary, this is an express request for any necessary extension of time and authorization to charge any required extension of